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1. Production of the "6SQ7" radio tube in the second quarter of 1953 was 15,000 pieces. The grid-winding shop has three automatic and 50 hand machines. The shop now is working with two shifts.
2. No more tubes of the type "6SA7" have been manufactured since 7 May 1953, because the quota for the quarter has been filled.
3. Winding pins (Wickeldorne) for the "PC181" were put in place on 12 May 1953. This tube is a new development, of which the first experimental tubes are to be manufactured. It has three grids, one of which is a triode.
4. The small axis of the first grid of the tube "6SH7" has been altered in size from 1.12 mm to 1.14 mm.
5. The small axis of the first grid of the tube "EF 85" has been altered from 1.2 mm to 1.15 mm.
6. The tube "ECH 8k" has six grids, one of which is a triode. Two of the other grids are wound in an oval form, and then are placed in a shaping press and pressed. This pressing involves about 50 percent spoilage, because of the breaking of the grid wire. This is blamed on the poor material, but informant thinks that the procedure is not correct.
7. The number of employees in the plant on 1 May 1953 was about 6,500. A so-called "voluntary wage reduction movement" has been organized in the plant for the purpose of averting further discharges, but it is feared that, after the voluntary reduction, there will be a general wage reduction.
8. The heads of the plant trade union directorate are Joseph Stangl, first president, and Hertha Mackowiak, second president. They were elected in March 1953. There are 13 other members who have been assigned memberships

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on the various departmental committees as follows: work and wages, Mackowiak; activist committee, Stangl and Waldow (fnu); rationalization, Schulze and Stangl; cultural work, Bartke and Dahlke; work safety, Piephard; training, Reinsdorf and Fuerboeter; cadre committee, Westhoff and Reinsdorf; work among children, Gau; social security, Eichler; workers' welfare, Konzer; housing, Karasch; kitchen, Dahlke; vacations, Viececz; treasury, Stangl.

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